Breakdowns Bring U. S. Rail System Face to Face With Appalling Situation

IS NEGLECTED BY RAILROADS,

ing an appalling situation as a result of shortage of locomotives and the breaking down of hundreds of others, due to the neglect of equipment by the railroads.

Government investigators have ound that engines, overworked for months, are now showing the effect of railroad officials' refusal to improve or care for their rolling stock, dating from the first intimation that the Government was about to take ever the railroads.

While Administration officials find that some railroad men refused to admit "soldlering" during the period preceding Government control, other officials admit that the charges have basis and truth.

Charges Admitted,

Shop forces are depleted by enlist ment and by inroads from other in-Administration officials today

sorted to "speed-up" measures in losmotive repair shops to relieve the mituation. Increased hours of labor will be resorted to, following direct appeal to A. C. Wharton, representing the shop mechanics. Overtime will be the rule until every locomotive is back

on the tracks with a maximum load up for ten hours in roundhouses when in return the Government will grant they should have been turned out in wage increases asked by the mechanica, averaging, it is believed, about 40 at terminals sixteen hours and then her court. Reports Published. sarized reports of special investigators for the Interstate Com-

relieved by other crews while waiting

These conditions, set forth by Com-

the Railway Trainmen.

were no available locomotives.

THIRTY MORE ARMY

roads caused delays.

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merce Commission were made public Commissioner McChord. Trains have been made up and allowed to wait on tracks for hours, eleging up freight yards and stopping traffic because of shortages if railroad executive and intentionally ngines. Locomotives have been held

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Some of the men from this group were on the Tuscania when she was torpedoed. They were the pick of the State, and if any were lost they will leave behind them pleasant memories of the fearless manner in which they responded to the country's call to make a lasting peace.

CONSIGNEE MUST **OBTAIN PERMIT BY** for engines. Trains on sidings have been held up until the sixteen-hour law forced roads to send out relief NEW PENNSY PLAN

the consignee was unable to accept upon

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railroad executive and intentionally negligent to embarress the railroad Pennsylvania rallroad today put into that many shipments were made which administration, made by W. G. Lee, of effect in Washington and elsewhere the Railway Trainmen.

Conditions of locomotives are escapted in Washington and elsewhere arrival, thereby holding ours out of servence on the lines east of Pittsburgh today lee or congesting station platforms. Shippecially bad on the Baltimore & Ohio, a new plan, under which the conments accepted under such conditions Pennsylvania, Philadelphia & Read-ing, New York, New Haven and Hart-tain permit for the forwarding of but prevented the movement of other ford, the Eric and the Jersey Central embargoed goods. ford, the Erie and the Jersey Central embargoed goods.

ford, the Eric and the Jersey Central in the Pitcairn yards of the Penning Francisco and the Penning Francisco a

Inspectors at the Osceola Mills en-gine house of the Pennsylvania com-plained in one report that foremen existing requirements," and "that he were failing to make work reports
and engines were not being inspected
promptly on arrival, unload the car
at the pits. No explanation for failure to make repairs was made.

Will be able to accept the freight
promptly on arrival, unload the car
without delay, and take the shipment
off the railroad's hands." At the Edge Moor yards on February T, the report states, forty-one engine crews were on hand, but there

To Aid Both Parties. The purpose is to render every assistance to shippers and consignees in securing needed shipments in times

of general embargoes. Two other important changes are to be made. All superintendents will be authorized to grant permits for the movement of freight from point TRUCKS REACH BALTO. to point on their own divisions; all general superintendents will be au-BALTIMORE, Feb. II.—The sixth train of army trucks to make the trip from Detroit to the Government shops at Col-

gate arrived yesterday afternoon. It consisted of thirty trucks, which carried a consignment of machinery parts. It is known as Truck Train No. 2. The train will start on its return at moon today.

About two weeks were taken for the trip. The schedule is eight days, but the severe weather and the conditions of the roads caused delays.

For the issuance of permits to ship freight from a point on one grand division to a point on another grand division to a point on another railroad, a new embargo bureau has been established in Philadelphia, under the direction of W. C. Glynn, assistant general freight agent, and all such applications must be made to that bureau.

Must Be From Consignee.

In all cases the application must come AMUSEMENTS

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Shipper, who will present it, with the
bill of lading to the agent, as authority
for the latter to accept the freight.

The new plan will enable the railroad management to exercise greater control over the movement of freight than has been possible with the system hereto-fore in effect. In addition it will enable consignees and shippers to arrange more promptly for transportation, as in the case of local freight it will not be necessary to go beyond the division superintendent and in case of freight from point to point on a single grand division, not beyond the general superintendent.

Errors In Past. In the past, where shippers instead of sonsigness frequently obtained permits, it was found that much freight was started on the road far in advance of **AMUSEMENTS**

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in "The Gun Woman"

AMERICAN SECTOR FULLY DESCRIBED BY FRENCH PAPER

ies Etats-Unis printed yesterday the

"Commandant de Civrieux writes i Le Temps on the subject of the Ameri-

"According to indications given the re gion in which our allies are established for their debut is that of the Woevree in a district which, at this season, is most impractical for the movements of troops. It is a low plain shut in on one side by the Highlands (Hauts) of the Meuse, and on another by the hills of the Moselle-all of it covered with pools and swamps.

Forests To West. "To the west may be seen the skyline of the forests of Apremont, where the relonged combats of Affly and the Bots Brule took place.

"To the east is the Bois Morte Mare often mentioned in the dispatches, exending in a succession of clumps of trees as far as the grove of Le Pretre within which so much herotam has been

"The plain sinks toward the center like a bowl, where the ground is quite impassable except in the dry weeks of summer. The pools, variously cut up, terminate in a series of guilles, along which run stone-laid trails, which, at least until May, constitute the only available, roads.

To Rear and South. "In the rear, and sustaining the first ines, obviously parallel with the route St. Mihiel-Pont a Mousson, which, to a large extent they inclose, extends the forest of the Reine with its many

"Finally, the horizon to the south is obstructed by the cliffs of the Meuse, running from Lerouville toward Toul, and whence the lang-range batteries on the emplacements at Forts Lerouville and Gironville command the entire sec-

"Hence this sector is exceptionally favorable for the trying out of sol-diers, because no serious attack against it seems possible in existing

"Here our alies will be able to learn their lessons of experience through their limited daily actions, which are the elements of which the greater are made; they will be able in this rude school, to put through their successive contingents, and thus under the very best conditions, pre-pare their wast collaboration for the

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Affairs, was recently announced, is the divorced wife of the Hon. John Mitford, son of the late Lord Redesdale, a British peer. She is said to be worth \$25,000,000.

dren this morning made their way weeks of idleness. All public sol

tem was opened today," said Stephen B. Kramer. There was not a soul bin empty. No matter what the amount of future arrivals of coal may be, the high schools will remain open until

The warm weather greatly helps the fuel situation in these schools. Dis trict labor was used 'yesterday in auling coal from the District docks to the schools, and the corps of jamitors worked far into the night firing

1,000 TAKEN IN NET OF CHICAGO POLICE

CHICAGO, Feb. 11.-Chicago's p lice stations are buiging with prisontoday after the greatest roundup of suspected criminals in the histery of the city.

Almost 1,000 men and wo been taken in a determined police drive to curb the recent spidemics of outlawry. The round-up is still in

One handit who picked a time when the anti-crime drive was at its height to rob a motion picture theater, is in the hospital ward of the jaff to-day with a builet wound in his head.

60 FAMILIES MAROONED ON ISLAND WITHOUT FUEL

NEWPORT, R. L. Feb. IL-Efforts to relieve the coal famine in Jameste which is on an island opposite this city, are made fruitless by loc. At least strey families there are entirely without fusi. The coal shortage in Newport contimes with no immediate prospects abatement. Gov. R. Livingston Bee man was one of the applicants for

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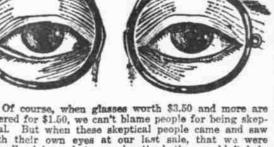
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